## The 4 Faces of Life Care

Four residents of Life Care have become the faces of our company for the celebration of *National Skilled Nursing Care Week*, coming up May 13-19.

Theme of the week is *Celebrating Life's Stories*, and these individuals – chosen from nominations submitted by executive directors across our company – have demonstrated quality of living in the unique ways they impacted others. They are:

- Albert Hauser, 84, of Life Care Center of Seneca, Kansas, who was ordained a priest in 1960. For the next 10 years, Hauser served as the director of admissions and registrar at St. Benedict College, later renamed Benedictine, in Atchison, Kansas. Beginning in 1970, and for the next 47 years, he pastored five different parishes in Kansas and Iowa. Among his ministerial functions, he married and baptized hundreds of people.
- Judith Henry, 74, a resident of Life Care Center of Athens, Tennessee, earned a master's degree in mathematics, chemistry and physics, and taught in elementary and high schools in several different states. She joined overseas missions, smuggling Bibles into closed countries. Once, she was caught and imprisoned for three months before being released.
- Diane Jefferson, 72, of Life Care Center of Citrus County, fostered nearly 100 children and adopted three kids of her own. Boys and girls, children of different races, children with disabilities – she loved and cherished them all. "It was very chaotic, but mostly wonderful," Jefferson remembered. "Children can give you so much joy."



Albert Hauser



Judith Henry

 Andrew Seebart, 54, of Life Care Center of Boise, Idaho, grew up in Seneca, Oregon. After high school, he enlisted in the Coast Guard. Later, he joined the National Guard and also worked as a teacher and counselor at a camp for troubled youth. In 1993, he joined the Harney County Sheriff's Office in Burns, Oregon, and served his community for 13 years.

Posters featuring these four residents and a package of materials to help your facilities get the most out of *National Skilled Care Week* have been shipped to each of our centers.

(more)

Every patient and resident has an interesting story to tell. It's meaningful – to him or her, and to us – to mine that story from conversations with the person and the family. We need to see and understand our residents not only as they are, but as they once were, and come to know and appreciate the special contributions they made to their communities.

National Skilled Nursing Care Week allows us to showcase and pay tribute to life's most significant events, relationships and experiences that shape the unique perspectives of residents, families, staff and volunteers in long-term and post-acute care. It also provides the opportunity to invite members of the community to visit, meet our caregivers and learn first-hand about the services we provide.

Plan some media coverage of the events you are scheduling and the people you are honoring.

It's our week! Let's take advantage of it.

Wisdom is with the aged, and understanding in length of days (Job 12:12 ESV).

- Beecher Hunter



Diane Jefferson



**Andrew Seebart**